telephone numbers and addresses of the officers in charge of the LPG distributorships. Periodic advertisements are also released in regard to the existence of the Customer Service Cells at the headquarters of the Area Office including Delhi.

Tapli Panna and Mukta Gas Fields

2984. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Reliance Euron Consortium has refused to submit firm development plans and production profile for the Tapli Panna and Mukta gas fields awarded to it;

(b) if so, what are the bid conditions and whether refusal of Reliance is in deviation of the accepted practice; and

(c) if so, what are the implications in the refusal by the Reliance to submit the firm development plan and production profile and what is the reaction of Government with regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMS) : (a) No, Sir

(b) and (c) Do not aries.

LPG Connection to freedom Fighters

2985. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government propose to sanction LPG connections to freedom fighters on priority basis; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA) : (a) and (b) There is no such proposal under consideration at present.

Distributorship of Petrol Pumps and LPG on Compassionate Grounds in Gujarat

2986. SHRI KANAKASINH MOHANSINH MANGROLA : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether any criteria were fixed for the issue of licences for petrol pumps and LPG distributorships on compassionate grounds in Gujarat State, District-wise during the year 1993 and in the first quarter of the year 1994;

(b) if so, the details of the names addresses and locations in the state of the persons who have been issued licences; and

(c) what are the reasons for allotting agencies to them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA) : (a) to (c) Discretionary allotmens of dealerships/distributorships are made by Government on compassionate grounds in deserving cases keeping in view the circumstances of each case. Accordingly, one retail outlet dealrship has been allotted at Ahmedabad City in Gujart during January 1993 to March, 1994.

Dispute over Royalty

2987. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that ONGC operaitions in Nagaland remained suspended since the State Govenment are not satisfied with the royalty offered to them;

(b) whether it is also a fact that ONGC is incurring heavy losses every day because the work has been suspended over this dispute; and

(c) if so, what steps Government are taking to resolve the dispute between ONGC and Government of Nagaland on the royalty issue?

(c) The number of LPG distributors under reserved categories as on 1.4.1994 was as under :

SC/ST	—	44
PH	—	21
Defence	—	14
Freedom Fighter	—	7

There is no specific reservation for OBCs.

Expansion Programmes for Refineries

2991. SHRIMATI SARALA MEHESHWARI:
SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the existing production capacity of the refineries of the Indian Oil Corporation and what share does it have in the market;

(b) what is the projected demand of the refinery products from IOC after next five years;

(c) what are the plans for expansions and new commissonings to meet such demand;

(d) what is the target date of commissioning of on going Panipat Refinery Project, what is the capacity and project cost and the time and cost overrun;

(e) what is the approximately project/ MMTPA for new grass root refinery project vis-a-vis cost/MMTPA of expansion project;

(f) what are the expansion programmes of Gujarat, Mathura and Haldia Refineries; and

(g) whether there was any proposal for expansion of Haldia Oil Refinery by 3 MMTPA; if so, what is the status and if not, what are the reasons for the rejection of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) to (c) The present capacity of IOC refineries is 24.55 MMTPA which represent a share of about 46%. The Government have also approved setting up of 6 MMTPA each new refineries at Panipat and in East Coast and expansion of Digboi Refinery by 0.15 MMTPA. The expansion of Koyali Refinery is under process for investment approvals etc.

(d) Government has approved the setting up of a 6 MMTPA capacity refinery at Panipat at an estimated cost of Rs. 3868 crores. The project is scheduled to be completed by April 1997.

(e) It is difficult to precisely corelate cost of grass root refinery vis-a-vis expansion.

(f) and (g) The expansion of Koyali Refinery is under process for investment approvals etc. Capacity of Haldia Refinery has already been increased from 2.5 MMTPA to 2.75 MMTPA by debottlenecking of existing facilities. The lube oil block of the refinery has also been expanded. The second phase of debottlenecking of crude distillation unit of Haldia refinery by installing a prefractionator is currently under implementation by IOC at an estimated cost of Rs. 4.7 crores which will further increase the refinery capacity by 0.2 MMTPA, i.e. to a level of 2.95 MMTPA. Presently there is no proposal for expansion of Mathura Refinery.

Survey for Crude Oil

2992. SHRI SURINDER KUMAR SINGLA:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the sites where survey is going on for finding crude oil;